PATENT APPLICATION

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application of prior pe	nding Applicatio	n No. <u>10/032,093,</u> file	ed <u>I</u>	December 31	<u>, 2001,</u>				
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By (Inventors):	Kenji HORI								
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5.	\boxtimes	Formal drawings (Figs. 1-6) are attached.
6.	\boxtimes	Priority of foreign application Nos 2001-000278 filed January 5, 2001 in Japan and 2001-383861 filed December 18, 2001 in Japan are claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
	\boxtimes	The certified copy was filed in prior Application No. 10/032,093 on December 31, 2001.
		A certified copy of the above foreign application(s) is filed herewith.
7.		Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No filed is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119. (A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect the claim of benefit in the specification if not already present.)
8.	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned of record to <u>NIKON CORPORATION</u> , <u>Tokyo</u> , <u>Japan</u> and recorded at Reel <u>012423</u> , Frame <u>0635</u> .
9.		This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R §1.53(b)(1)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:
10.	\boxtimes	A Preliminary Amendment is attached. The Preliminary Amendment amends the specification to reflect
	5 71	the continuation data.
11.	\boxtimes	An Information Disclosure Statement is attached.
12.		Small entity status:
		a. Entitlement to small entity status is asserted.
13.	\Box	b. Small entity status is no longer claimed. Other:
14.		This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
15.		The power of attorney in the application is to James A. Oliff, Registration No. 27,075; William P. Berridge, Registration No. 30,024; Kirk M. Hudson, Registration No. 27,562; Thomas J. Pardini, Registration No. 30,411; Edward P. Walker, Registration No. 31,450; Robert A. Miller, Registration No. 32,771; Mario A. Costantino, Registration No. 33,565; Caroline D. Dennison, Registration No. 34,494; and Stephen J. Roe, Registration No. 34,463. a. The power appears in the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney. b. Since the power does not appear in the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney, a substitute Power of Attorney is also attached.
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